## CLAIMS

- 1. A method of screening and recovering a regulatory DNA capable of inducing metastasis comprising the steps of:
- i. transferring tagged fragments of a human DNA from malignant metastatic cancer cells into a cell line that produces only benign, non-metastasizing tumours when injected into a syngeneic animal;
- ii. injecting the transformed cells into the syngeneic animal;
- iii. selecting those animals in which metastasizing tumours have been identified; and
- iv. recovering the regulatory DNA capable of inducing metastasis therefrom.
- 2. A method as claimed in claim 1—in which the fragments of human DNA transferred in step 1 are from 0.1 to 50 kilo base pairs in length.
- 3. A method as claimed in claim 2 in which the fragments of human DNA transferred in step (i) are less than 1.6 kilo base pairs in length.
- A method as claimed in claim 1, 2 or 3 in which the cell line that produces only benign non-metastasizing tumours is a rat mammary epithelial cell line.
- 5. A method as claimed in claim 4 wherein the rat mammary epithelial cell line is a Rama 37 cell line.
- A method as claimed in claim 5 wherein the tag is an oligonucleotide sequence:

Primer

5'AATCCAAGCTTGCGGCCGATCAGGCCGAATATGCGGCCGCATTAT-3'
AGG<u>TTCGAA</u>CG<u>CCGGCTAGTCCGG</u>CTTATA<u>CGCCGGCG</u>TAAT<u>ATCGA</u>

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ATAACTCCCA TGGT

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regulatory DNA capable of inducing metastasis consisting essentially of a human DNA fragment of less than 1.6 kilobase pair in length obtained from a malignant, metastasis cancer cell.

8 / DNA consisting essentially of a regulatory DNA capable of inducing metastasis from sequence 1:

CTTCCTTGGT GCTCTATGTC TTGCCTCTCC CCTTCTCCAG TCCCATTAAG CCATAACCAT C2 CTTGACAGAC TCTGGGACAG TCCCCTCTGC TCTCCTGTTG GCGCCTGAGT CCCTTTTTGC CTGAGGACCC TTCACGTAGC CTCCCATCTG GATGACCTAG TAGAAGACGT GGGAAGTTGT CACACTCAGG TAACTGAGCA GAGCTCAGAG ATTTAAAGTG AGTCTGGGGA GCCTCGAGGA TTGATCTGCT GCCTTAAAA GCCAATTGGA TGACTAACCC AGACTATTGT CACTTTAGGT GGGAAGTCAC TAGCATATCT GATGGGTCAC ATCTGAGAAA GGTTTCTAGC AGTGGTGGCC TTGTGTGAGC AGCATGGCGT GTATCATGGT GTGCAGCATA CTCAGGCTGC TTGCAACACT CCAGGCTCTT CTTCAGTATT AGGGGAACCA CTGGTGTTSG AACATGGTCC AAGAATACAG TCATGTGAGG AGAATCCCAA TGCGTCAGGA GAAAACGAGA GTCTGTGACC TCCATTCTTC AAGATACAGA ATTATTCTTG GACTGTGTTT TCATGCTCCT TGTGGATGGG AGTGAGTTTA. CTTCAGGTTA ATCAGCATTG CTTACTGTTG GTATTCAAGT AAATGCTTAA ATTATCCTGG ATATACCTCT GTGGGAAGCA GGTTTTTGAT ACATGCAGCT TGTCCTTGTG ATTGATACTG CTTGAACTCA AGAGAACTTT GCTCATGTGA TCTTTCTTAA CCGATGGAGT AGAAACTGTC TGATGCTCTC AATAAAGTTG GCTCTTGCAC GAGACGTTAG TCTGTCCTGT TTATCTGCTC CATTOTTOOG CTCCCACGGC CTCTACAGCA CTAAACCCAC CACCGATAGA CTCAGTCTTT CACTGACAAA CATCACCAGA GGCTCTTAAC TGAGATTATA AACTGTTACT AGATGATGGG TGGAATCGCT CCCCAGAAAC ATAAACATTT ACTTGGAGAA CTCAAGACCC CTTTGTAGAC

9. $\checkmark$  DNA consisting essentially of a regulatory DNA capable of inducing metastasis from sequence 2:

ATTGCTGTGA GCCTATTAGC GACATTTGGT GACGCCCCTT TTAAGGGGGT AGATACAAAG AATGGGTTGA AATTCTGTGC CACAAACGCT CTCCATGTTT TCACAATTAC ACTTGCAACC TGTGGTCAGC AGCCAGAATT TAGGGATGTG ATGGGACAGG GTCGGGGAAA GAAGGAGAAG GGTAAAGGAA AGACAGCACG TTAAAGTCCA AACAGCTCCA GGAGACTATC TGTAGAAATA ACATCAGACO ATGAGGAGAA TTGATATCAT TGTTTTTCAA TGGGTATCGC CAAGGGAACT TTCCATCTGA TTAAAAATAA TTACTGCTGG CACTAAATCC AATTGGAAAT GCCCCACACA ATTTATCTTC CACTTCATGC TGCTACCATA TGCCTGACGT GGCGGAGCAG AAGCATTCCC TCCCGTTCTG ATAATAGTA CTTTGTAAAT ATTTGGAGAC GGGAGCTCTG GTGACAGGGA ACACGTACAA ACCGGCCTGT TTATCATGTT CCCGATAGAG GCCCTCTTTG ACGTACAGGA CCCCAAAACA GTCAGGATGC TGTGAATTTC CTTCCATGAA GCCTTGTTCA CAATTAGCAA CCATTGGAGG AAGCAGGCTG CACTGTCTAC CACAAGTGGC ACTTTCCAAA GAGCACACAT ATATTGGAGO AAGACATTTT GOTGGCTGAC TGGTGCTGTG TAAGCTGATA AACTGCTATA TTTATTAAAC TGGCTTTTCT TTGAACACCC CACTCAAGGA AAAAAAAACA CACTTAGGGT CACATTATTT GGAGATGAAG TCTTTATAGA GATGCTTAAG TTTAAACGAG ACTTTTAAAG CCGGCTCTAT TCCATTTAAT GAATGGTGTC CCTACAAAGG AAGAAACTGG GACAGAGGTA TGTACACTTG TGTGTGTGTG AGAGACAACG TGAGGAGCTG AAGAGGAGCA CGTACAAGTC TGACCCTTAT TCACACTGAG CAAACCAGTC ATGTGTGGGT CGATAGATGA GAGTATCCCC CAAGACTCAC ACATTCGAAC GCTTGGTC <u>AGAGAAA</u>GGC

10 Y DNA consisting essentially of a regulatory DNA capable of inducing metastasis from sequence 3:

C6

AGGACCAGAG TTCACATCCC ATCAAATGGC CCAGAAGGTT TTAATGCTGT CTTTTGGCCC AGGGGCGAAC TGCACACACA TGTGCACATA CACTTACAGA GACACACATT CAGCAGCATA ACLACACIAT CACAAATAAA AAAAATCTTG AAAAATTTTA AGCTAAAATT GTTAAGAAAT AACATATATA CAATTTTTCT TTATTTTTTT AAAGATTTAT TTATTTAATG TATATGAGTA CACTGCCTCT CCCTCCAGAC ATAGCAGTAC AGGGCATCGG ATCCCATTAC AGATGGTTGT GAGCCACCAT GTGGTTTCAC AGATGGTTGT GAGCCACCAT GTGGTTTCAG GAATTGAACT CAGGACCTTT GGAAGAGCAG TCAGTGCTCT TAACCTCTAA GCCATCTCTC CTGACCCTTA TATACAATTT TAATGCTACG TACACACAC TTCTCTTTCC TTTAATGGTT GAGATTTTTG TCTGGAGAAG TAAGAATAAA GGAGGGAAAG AACATTGCTT TCACATTGCA CCAGTGGGAA CAGCGTGTTT AAAGTAGGAA TGCCATGAAA TGACTGGCCT GCCTTCTCAT TACTGTTCCT CCCACTCCTC CTTTTAACTG GAGCTCCTTT ATCTAATTTA TTAGTTTGAC GATACCCAGG GTTTTCTTCT GTTTTGATCT TTTTAAGACA GAGACTCACC ATATAGCCCT GGCTGGCCTG AAGCTCACTA TGTAGACCAG TCTGGCCTTG AACTCAAAGG AGATCTATCT GCTTCCTAGT GCTGGGATTA AAGGCTTGTG CTACCAAGTC TGGTCTGAGG CTTTGGAGCA GCCTCGGTTT TGGCCTTCTT TAAGGATCTC TAAGCTAGCA GTAAGTAGCC TAGCCATGCT GTTGTAGGAA GTTGTTCGTT CATCCTGGCT CCAGCACAAA GGCAGTCACT AAACGTCGGC CTCATTTCAT CAGAGCTGAA TGCAAATTCC TTGTGCTCTT CCTGTGTCCT CCTGGAAC

DNA consisting essentially of a regulatory DNA capable of inducing metastasis from sequence 4:

C9

AGTTGGGGAC ACAGCTTGCT TGATTAAGAT GTTTCTTGGG AAAAGGAGTT AAGCCTAATG ATTTCCAATG GAAAGGACTG CTAATTGGGG AGGCAATGTT GCTTAATTGG GACACCTGCG GGTAATTAAA AGCTCTCTCC CAGTGGCCTT TCCTGATTTT GGCTCTGGGA GGCGAAGGCA TTGAGAGGGA TGCAGGCATT CTAAGGGCTG GTTCTTGGTT TCTCCCTTCC CCTCTGTCCA AACTCAGTGA GGTATCCCTG TCTGTGCTGT CCTTAGAGYG CCGTCCTGAG GCCTTGGTGA GTTAAGGTCT CTGGATCTGA GCTGCCTCAG GGAAACGCAX GAGCTCATTG GAAAGGGGAG AACCAGGCAA AGGTGTTGGC TGTGACCTCA GAATTCTGAG CTCTCATTAT AGAGCAAGTT TGAGACTGGC CTGGGAACAA AAATATAAAG TGAGTGAGGT CATATGACAG CACCTGAGGA GTCCTGTCCC TAGAGATCAT AAGGACCTGG CTGCTGGGGA CTTGTTGCAG ATGGCACTTT GTGTCGAGAG AGGGGACCTG CCCCAGCATG GGAGGCCCTG GAAGATCCTC TGGATTAACT GTGAACACTG ATTGCTGCTT TATACCTGGA GTTGTGCTGT TATCTEGTAC ACATCTECTE EGTEAATEAE TTCATEGECT TTATTTCAGT CAGGTATTTA CCTGAGGAGA AAGAAGGACT GGTGCCACAA AGCACAGCTT CCATTATGGA CTATCATAAC TGAGTGCAGG TATCAAGAAT ACTTTAGCAG GTGGTAAAAA GATTTTTCAA TGCGCAACGA CCAAAACTGA ACTCAAAAAT CAAGCATGGC GGTGCTCCTG GAAGCACTTG CCTTTACTGC ATTGTGCGAC TTGACGGTAG CCTTGGTTCT CANTICACAA CACGTGGGCT TTGGGCTGCA CAGGCCACCA CGCCGTGCCT GARACACCTC AGCTCAGGTT TGTGGCTATG TCCTATGACT TGGACTTACT TTTATTGCAC ATAYAAATAT TTTCCTGC

GGGCAAAGGT TCAAGGCTAA TTALATCROT GGGTTGTGAC ATGGATCCTG

## 12 / DNA consisting essentially of a regulatory DNA capable of inducing metastasis from sequence 5:

C12

GAGGGGGTGG TGGCACAGTT ATGTTTTGT AGGAAGGGTT CCATGAACCT CAGCAGAGCT CGGGTTAGAA ATTTAAAAGC CCTGAGGGGA ATTTTTTTTT TAAATCGCTA TGAATCTGAC ATGAGAAAA CAGATCAGAA ACGTTCTTGT GCTTCAGAAA AGGACAAGTG TGTGAGCTAA CAGACTGCAC ACTGGTGTTC GAGGCACATC TGGATCACAG GAGCGTCAGA TAATGTCCCC AAAGGTAAAT GCATTTGCTT GCACAGTACC GAGTGTGGTG GGGGGTGCCT ACAGCCCAGC GGTTCTCAAC CTTCCTGATG CTTCGACCCT TTAATACAGT GCCTCATGCT CTGGTGACCT CCCCAACCTT AAAATTATTT TTGTTGCTGT TCATAACTGT GATTTTGATA CTGTTATGAA TTGTAATATA AATAATTTTG AAGAAAGAGG TTTGCCAAGG GTTTGAGAAC TGCTGTTCTA GCCCCACGIG GAIGGITTIT CGTCATIIGG GGTTTTTAIG AGGCAGAGIC TTAIGIAGCC CAGGCTAGCA GCCTAGAATG TGCTACTTAG CTGAGGAATA ACCTTGGAAC TTCTGAGGAC TGGAGAGACT GGCTTAGTCC TCAAGAAACT GGAAATAGCT GGAGTTTGGC TACTTGTGGG TTCCTTTTTC TTCAAACCTT TTCTACTCTT TTTCCACCCT GTCGGCCCCC TAACACTAAA TAAGAAAAA AAAGGGGAGC ATAGAGGGGA AAAGAAACCC CTGAATAACG TCAGTAGTTG GCAAAGGGGG GTGACATATG TTGTCATTAG ACCACATCCT GGTGATTAAG GGGAGTCAAG TTCCTTGGGG CAAGTTTGAT CTTTCGTGTA ACGATATCTA ATTTCTTCTC CCTGTTGCTT CGTCTTTGTG AACAACGACT TGATAACCCA CAATGGACCA TCAACCAACC AACCAACCAT

13. DNA consisting essentially of a regulatory

DNA capable of inducing metastasis from sequence 6:

C20

TIGICICIGG IGITACITGI TITCCCATTI CIGACAGIGG TITGACCIT CIATACGCCI GTGTGTCAGG AGTGCTGTAG ACCTATTTTC CTGTTTTCTT TCAGCCAGTT ACAGGAACAG AGTGTTCTAC TGTCAGATGT GTAGCTGTTC CTGTCCACTG ACTTTCAAGC TGTCTCTGTG TGCAGGAACC AGAAGGGCCT GTCCCTACTT CTACTGGGCC CCTACGCACA GGGGGCCTAG ATGGTGCTAG GTGTTTTCCT CTAGAGCCTG AAATGTGGGC AGAGAGTAGT CTCCTCTGGT TTCCTAGGTA TGTCTTCCCC TCTGAAGGTC TAGCTCTCCC TTCCATGGGA TATGGGTGCA GGGAGCTGTT TCACCAGGTC CTCTCAAATC CGGGTGCAGT CTGGACCGCA GGCTCCTGTA GCTTGCCTGC TGCAATCTTC CCGCACCCAG AGGCACCCAA GTTTCCTCTT GGGCCAAGGA TGTGGGCAAA GGTGGGCAGA AGTGGCAATC TCTCCTGCCC TAGCGTCTCA GGATTGCCCT CACTTOTOGO CAATOOGOTO TOTOTTOCAO AGGGTTTGGG AGCAGGGAGO TGTGGGCCGG TATCAGGCAA AGGTTTGAGG CAACCAGTTA GAAACTGGAA GTGTCAGGTC CCAGAGGAAT TTTGCCTTTG TGTGTCCTGA GTCCACCAGG CAGGTCACTT GGAGCAGAAA AATTGGTTTT CCCCTCGGTC TCAGGCCTGA AGTTGCACCT CAGGGTTGGC TTTCAGCTGT ACCTGTGGAA AGTATEGTTT TAAAAATCTA AGATAGCTAT CATGCAGCAA GGCTTGTGTA AAATGTCTAT TIGGTICCTI TAIGACTIAC TITIGCIGIA CIGAGGAICA AACCIAGGGI CICAAGCAGI CATCACAATT CTCTGTCACT GATCCAGCTC CATTTCTATT TTCTTTTGTC CCGCGCGATC TCTCGCCAGC-AAGAAACAC GCTAGGGACA TACGAATCCT TGCTGCAGCC AAAACTTTTA TTGAATCTTA AGGAGAAGCC CGCGCACCGG ACTGGCGCGG TTTATATACA CCCTAGCACA GTGCATCCAC A

14. The use of an osteopontin gene as a metastasis inducing transformant.

A probe specific to /a regulatory DNA capable of inducing metastasis as/claimed in any of claims 7 to 13.

A kit for diagnosing the likelihood of a 16. cancer metastasizing comprising a probe as claimed in claim 15 and one or more of a colour indicator, an oligonucleotide primer, materials for gel analysis and materials for DNA transfer or hydridisation.

≥ 17. A medicament adapted to target a regulatory DNA capable of inducing metastasis as claimed in any of claims 7 to 13.